

Resolutions Approved at the Annual Meeting

The following resolutions were approved by the FWIO at their annual meeting last November. They included:

1. requesting the Ontario Minister of Transportation to reinstate the complete construction of the four-lane highway (Highway 416) from Ottawa to Highway 401 by the year 2000;
2. urging the Federal Minister of Culture and Communications responsible for the National Library to seek a change to the National Library Act that will alleviate the financial burden on the National Library;
3. requesting the Federal Government of Canada to enact legislation that will restructure current deductions for child care expenses into one child care benefit to allow families to make a choice in child care;
4. pressuring the Ontario Government to allow the test burn to go ahead at the St. Mary's Cement Co. as previously planned and agreed to in 1990;
5. petitioning the Ministry of Consumer and Commercial Relations, the Ministry of the Attorney General, the Ministry of the Solicitor General and the Ontario Film Review Board to establish uniform guidelines on "obscenity" within Ontario that conform with the criminal code of Canada;
6. petitioning the Ministry of Consumer and Commercial Relations to establish an "Ontario Film Review Board (OFRB) Sticker Identification System" for all videos classified and released for distribution in Ontario, which would incorporate:
 - a) the OFRB classification of F, PG, AA and R,
 - b) and, detailed information on all videos where warnings are warranted in type size one-third the size of the movie title,

AND FURTHER, to require the cost of the Sticker Identification System to be borne by the producers and/or distributors of videos and incorporated into the fee structure presently paid to the province for OFRB review;
7. requesting the Ontario Ministry of Education and Training to reinstate or retain the Family Studies Program (Home Economics) with increased

- emphasis on the essential life skills;
8. requesting the Government of Ontario to enact legislation to the effect that if a person is convicted of drunk driving, it become mandatory that they attend some form of counselling modelled after AA meetings;
9. urging the Ontario Ministry of Transportation to incorporate "Cat's Eyes" into highways as they are built, rebuilt or repaired;
10. requesting the Federal Government of Canada to enact laws and create a central authority which will provide guidelines for the new reproductive techniques used in private clinics, laboratories and hospitals, and that will take into account the values of Canadians and will protect the right of the child, the family unit and the female.

New FWIO President praised



Women's Institute members, friends and relatives, gathered at the Madoc Township Hall in early December to honour Donna Russett, the newly installed President of the FWIO. Area members showered her with gifts and words of praise at the reception. Donna and her husband, Gerald, are pictured above.

1993 FWIO Board of Directors



The Second Year FWIO Board Directors, from left to right in the back row, are Doreen McMillan, Helen Stafford, Audrey Ricker, Mary Caldwell, Hermina Koetsier, Pauline Lindsay, Mae Craig, Lorna McGrath, Bev Coutts, Alma Riddoch and Vi Belrose. Seated in the front row, from left to right, are Dorothy Beedham, Cindy Ashton, Dorothy Sutherland, Laurene McIntosh, Vivian Fawcett, Pat Macdonald and Lois Freiburger.



The First Year FWIO Board Directors, from left to right in the back row, are Peggy Munro, Jeanette Halcrow (Alternate for Arthena Hecker), Dorothy Bellrose-Porter, Henrietta Claus, Viola Ashton, Lou Norton, Edna Ward, Renata Rose, Carol Cressman and Lois Olmsted. Seated in the front row, from left to right, are Joan Playle, Marjorie Porter, Gertrude Stephen, Irene Tennant, Freda Dolan and Alda Tibbles.